Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

What is claimed is:

- 1. (Currently Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule
 - a) consisting of SEO ID NO: 5 or
 - b) less than 486 amino acids 487 base pairs in length comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 5

wherein said nucleic acid molecule regulates constitutive <u>tissue specific</u> transcription of an operably linked nucleotide sequence of interest.

2.-6 (Cancelled)

 (Currently Amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein said operably linked nucleotide sequence of interest is a nucleotide sequence encoding a heterologous gene or fragment thereof.[7.]

8.-9. (Cancelled)

(Currently Amended) An isolated nucleic acid construct comprising[[.]] the nucleic acid
molecule of claim 1, operably linked to a nucleotide sequence encoding a heterologous
gene, wherein said heterologous gene encodes a protein of interest or fragment thereof.

11.-12. (Cancelled)

- (Original) The construct of claim 10, further comprising a nucleic acid encoding a selectable marker.
- (Original) The construct of claim 10, further comprising a nucleic acid encoding a reporter gene.
- (Original) The construct of claim 10, wherein said heterologous gene is capable of altering an agronomic trait.
- (Original) The construct if claim 15, wherein said agronomic trait is disease resistance, herbicide resistance, environmental stress resistance, enhanced growth, or increased yield.
- 17. (Original) The construct of claim 10, wherein said heterologous gene is a plant gene.
- (Original) The construct of claim 10, wherein said heterologous gene is a structural gene.

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- (Original) The construct of claim 18, wherein said structural gene is an enzyme, a transcriptional regulator, a chaperonin protein or a scaffolding protein.
- (Original) The construct of claim 19, wherein said enzyme is farnesyl transferase alpha, farnesyl transferase beta or CaaX prenyl protease.
- (Previously Presented) An isolated nucleic acid construct comprising, a promoter sequence consisting of SEQ ID NO: 5 operably linked to a non-translatable mRNA molecule of a gene encoding a protein of interest.
- (Original) The construct of claim 21, wherein said non-translated mRNA molecule is an antisense nucleic acid, a hairpin RNA or a microRNA.

23.-24. (Cancelled)

- (Original) The construct of claim 21, wherein said gene is capable of altering an agronomic trait.
- (Previously Presented) The construct of claim 25, wherein said agronomic trait is disease resistance, herbicide resistance, environmental stress resistance, enhanced growth or increased yield.
- 27. (Original) The construct of claim 21, wherein said gene is a plant gene.
- 28. (Original) The construct of claim 21, wherein said gene is a structural gene.
- (Original) The construct of claim 28, wherein said structural gene is an enzyme, a transcriptional regulator, a chaperonin protein or a scaffolding protein.
- (Original) The construct of claim 29, wherein said enzyme is farnesyl transferase alpha, farnesyl transferase beta or CaaX prenyl protease.
- 31. (Original) A vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule of claim 1.
- 32. (Original) A cell comprising the vector of claim 31.
- 33. (Original) The cell of claim 32, wherein said cell is a plant cell.
- 34. (Original) The cell of claim 33, wherein said plant cell is monocotyledonous.
- 35. (Original) The cell of claim 33, wherein said plant cell is dicotyledonous.
- 36. (Original) A vector comprising the nucleic acid construct of claim 10.
- 37. (Original) A cell comprising the vector of claim 36.

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- 38. (Original) The cell of claim 37, wherein said cell is a plant cell.
- 39. (Original) The cell of claim 38, wherein said plant cell monocotyledonous.
- 40. (Original) The cell of claim 38, wherein said plant cell is dicotyledonous.
- 41. (Original) A vector comprising the nucleic acid construct of claim 21.
- 42. (Original) A cell comprising the vector of claim 41.
- 43. (Original) The cell of claim 42, wherein said cell is a plant cell.
- 44. (Original) The cell of claim 43, wherein said plant cell monocotyledonous.
- 45. (Original) The cell of claim 43, wherein said plant cell is dicotyledonous.
- 46. (Original) A method of producing a transgenic plant comprising introducing into a plant cell the vector of claim 36, to generate a transgenic cell and regenerating a transgenic plant from said transgenic cell, wherein said transgenic plant expresses said protein of interest.
- 47. (Original) The method of claim 46, wherein said expression is constitutive.
- 48. (Cancelled)
- 49. (Original) The method of claim 46, wherein said plant cell is monocotyledonous.
- 50. (Original) The method of claim 46, wherein said plant cell is dicotyledonous.
- 51. (Original) A method of producing a transgenic plant comprising introducing into a plant cell the vector of claim 41, to generate a transgenic cell and regenerating a transgenic plant from said transgenic cell, wherein said transgenic plant expresses said protein of interest at a decreased level as compared to a wildtype plant
- 52. (Original) The method of claim 51, wherein said plant cell is monocotyledonous.
- 53. (Original) The method of claim 51, wherein said plant cell is dicotyledonous.
- 54. (Original) The transgenic plant produced by the method of claims 46.
- (Original) The seed produced by the transgenic plant of claim 54, wherein said seed produces a plant that expresses said protein of interest.
- 56. (Original) The transgenic plant produced by the method of claims 51.

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- (Original) The seed produced by the transgenic plant of claim 56, wherein said seed produces a plant that expresses said protein of interest at a decreased level as compared to a wildtype plant.
- (Original) A method of expressing a heterologous protein comprising introducing to a cell the construct of claim 10 and expressing said heterologous protein in said cell.
- 59. (Original) The method of claim 58, wherein said cell is a plant cell.
- 60. (Original) The method of claim 59, wherein said plant cell is monocotyledonous.
- 61. (Original) The method of claim 59, wherein said plant cell is dicotyledonous.
- (New) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein said tissue specific transcription is in aerial plant tissue.